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Slow down, Halifax

SAFETY

Council votes in favour of lowering speed limit request



**Zane
Woodford**
Metro | Halifax

A local sustainability group is happy with a regional council decision to ask for lower residential speed limits, but says it's just the first step to creating safer streets in Halifax.

During its meeting on Tuesday, council voted 16-1 in favour of writing a letter to the province to ask that the minimum speed limit in residential districts be reduced to 40 km/h from the current 50 km/h limit.

"This is sort of just the jumping point, I think," Ecology Action Centre sustainable transportation co-ordinator Eliza Jackson said in an interview. "But it does

give us that freedom to start designing roads for slower speeds."

Jackson said the municipality should start to design narrower streets, and use features like bump-outs and chicanes to slow traffic. But reducing the speed limit without doing anything else wouldn't be as effective, she said.

"Just signing for 40 km and not having the streets design or the enforcement to support it will mean that it might not be as effective as having all three of those things together," Jackson said.

The municipal staff report before council said there was little evidence that reducing speed limits actually reduced speeds, but traffic co-ordinator Taso Koutroulakis said Tuesday a new study coming from the province may show a reduction of a few km/h.

He also said that if the province does say yes to the request, it doesn't mean all streets would end up with 40 km/h speed limits; the municipality would have the power to set limits higher than 40 km/h.



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POLITICS

Councillor scolded for kindness meter theory



Zane Woodford
Metro | Halifax

A debate Tuesday about installing kindness meters in Halifax devolved into a heated exchange between the mayor and a councillor who he accused of citing conspiracy theories.

The proposal, to have staff start the process to buy parking meters that can be used to collect charitable donations, passed in Halifax regional council nearly unanimously on Tuesday, with Coun. Richard Zurawski casting the sole "no" vote in the first of two in a three-part motion. The third part, to negotiate for the money raised to go to the United Way Halifax, passed 14-3.



Coun. Richard Zurawski
METRO FILE

A few councillors raised issues with the United Way, wondering aloud about CEO pay, and how much of the money it collects actually reaches those in need.

But no councillor had more issues than Zurawski, who accused the charity of profiting



"I think what you're talking about is damaging."

Mayor Mike Savage

off of poverty.

"It's big, big business," he said in council chambers.

Zurawski then listed off a few fraud scandals from the 1990s before Mayor Mike Savage shut him down.

"We're here to debate and to discuss, not to do conspiracy theories," he said.

"I would encourage you just to be a little bit careful about your conspiracy theories about

large organizations that really have no relevance to what we're talking about here today."

"If an organization has questionable practices I think it behooves us to be able to speak to those things," Zurawski said. "And I do take umbrage with your terminology towards me, that I'm pointing out conspiracy theories."

theories."

Savage noted that the cases Zurawski cited had nothing to do with United Way's Halifax branch, and urged him to get back to the task at hand.

"I think what you're talking about is damaging and not relevant to the conversation we're having today, which is about kindness meters and specifically around United Way of Halifax," he said.

After council's vote, municipal staff will start negotiations with United Way Halifax, and the kindness meters will be installed in summer 2018.

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•\$187.2 million — the municipality's capital budget this year.

•\$14.65 million — the amount the municipality plans to spend on renovations to the Dartmouth Sportsplex this year.

•\$15 million — the amount the municipality plans to spend on the Cogswell Interchange redevelopment project this year.

ZANE WOODFORD/METRO

CITY HALL

Regional council passes 2017 budget

Halifax regional council passed the municipality's fiscal 2017 budget Tuesday, including a tax hike for residents.

Here are some of the numbers that stand out:

•\$33 — the increase coming this year to the average household tax bill with a 1.8 per cent tax increase.

•\$894.3 million — the municipality's total operating budget, including \$741.5 million in municipal expendi-



Adine LeBlanc, left, Jeff Lansing, and Lisa McCloskey take advantage of the weather and have a lunch picnic at Public Gardens on Tuesday. PATRICK FULGENCIO/FOR METRO

Spring patios in bloom

RESTAURANTS

Most businesses are opening up their tables in April, early May



Julianne Steeves
For Metro | Halifax

If you're itching to toss your winter coat into storage and drink a beer outside, patios around the city will soon be here to help.

Although most popular Argyle Street ground-level patios won't be open this summer due to streetscaping, there are many other options downtown and Gahan House has already kicked off patio season.

"The sun is out and our patio is.....Open!!! You deserve a cold beer on a waterfront patio! #treatyourself," they tweeted on Tuesday.

Your Father's Moustache's rooftop patio is set to open on May 1, weather permitting. The first nice day in May, you can grab a beer and pub fare on their patio overlooking Spring Garden Road.

Also on Spring Garden, Stillwell Beer Garden is set to open



Patio season in Halifax kicks off with Gahan House opening theirs to patrons on Tuesday. While most patios will be opening up in the next few weeks, at least one will be delayed until June. PATRICK FULGENCIO/FOR METRO

for their second year on the May long weekend, said Laura MacDonald, one of the co-owners of Stillwell.

Since they don't have a whole lot to set up this year, she said they're pretty flexible about when they're opening: if it's nice enough before the May long weekend, Stillwell's outdoor beer and barbeque will come back earlier.

After closing their outdoor winterized Fire and Ice Bar at the end of March, the Bicycle Thief

will open their summer patio on the May long weekend for wine, cocktails, beer and food by the water.

The Stubborn Goat Beer Garden's opening date has been pushed to June 1 because of construction on the waterfront.

In their second year on the harbour, Joe McGuinness, general manager of the Stubborn Goat beer garden, says that they're still looking forward to a busy summer between Canada 150 events and the Tall Ships Regatta.

+ ACTIVITIES

If you're looking for other ways to enjoy spring, Halifax has some more options to get you outside:

■ **The Public Gardens** have opened their gates for this week's nice weather for people looking to take in the first few flowers of the year. The official opening date is Friday but until then, you can take a stroll weather permitting.

■ **The Oval** is back open this week for rollerblading, skateboarding, biking and scooters. Grab your helmet, your wheels (or rent them there) and get some exercise in the sunshine.

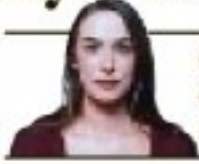
■ If you're hungry while out and about, look for one of the region's dozen or so **food trucks** that serve everything from fries, deluxe hot dogs, sandwiches, donuts and more.

■ And when all else fails, relax in the grass with a picnic on **Citadel Hill**.

'Yoga was the reward I needed'

RECOVERY

Chloe Luckett's brain injury rehab sparked by exercise



Grace Gormley
For Metro | Halifax

The first thing Chloe Luckett remembered was being driven to the rehab centre.

A month before that, Luckett, 24, had been rushed to hospital with three brain bleeds, a broken neck in two different places and shattered cheekbones.

"I really don't know how I turned out so normal looking," Luckett laughed during an interview on Tuesday.

The Wolfville woman was hanging out with friends on Sept. 12, 2016 when she left around 11:30 p.m. on the bike she had ridden there. As she made her way up Gottingen Street toward Citadel Hill, she was struck by a vehicle that was turning left.

Luckett was rushed to hospital and put into surgery right away. As surgeons cut her head open, it was clear she had severe brain injuries.

"It was really apparent there was something wrong with my brain," she said.

Luckett was in a coma for a week and woke up being unable to walk or speak properly. She was acting strangely, and not like herself.

She was in the infirmary for a month before being moved to rehab, which is when her memories started to come back. She

would spend another month there, in a 10 by 10 room with nothing to do.

"It made recovery harder being trapped inside," Luckett added.

Luckett moved home with her parents in February, quickly becoming frustrated with not being able to do things she loved before the incident. She wanted to dive back into her active lifestyle, which had included going to the gym and exercising outdoors.

"I just couldn't do it yet, I wasn't there," she said.

Jill Delaney, a friend of hers who was a yoga teacher at Lahara studio, invited her to come to some classes. Luckett immediately fell in love with it.

"It was so uplifting, and such the reward I needed," she said.

Luckett began going three to four times a week. Yoga helped her settle down, and allowed her to put the anxious and overwhelming feelings of the brain injury behind her.

Feeling inspired, she signed up for yoga teacher training. Luckett hopes one day she can offer yoga classes in rehab centres like the one she was recovering in. She thinks other people with brain injuries would benefit from yoga during their healing process, rather than having feelings of cabin fever and depression.

"Something needs to change, because if I felt like that I'm sure a lot of other people did too," she said.

For now, Luckett is partnering with a Halifax yoga studio for a 'Mindful May' program that will include free Lululemon classes.

"Yoga was the first thing I felt really positive about. I was like 'I can actually do this!'"



"It gave me an escape, essentially, and that's exactly what I needed."

Chloe Luckett

Chloe Luckett holds a warrior pose at the Halifax Common Tuesday. PATRICK FULGENCIO/FOR METRO

WASTE COLLECTION NOTICE GARBAGE/ORGANICS/RECYCLABLES

Good Friday

Please be advised there will be no garbage, organics, or recyclables collection service on Good Friday - Friday, April 14, 2017. Collection services for that day will be provided the next day, Saturday, April 15, 2017. Regular collection services will occur on Monday, April 17, 2017.

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Anti-violence activist hopeful year after wave of gun deaths

CRIME

Outreach worker happy no homicides so far this year



Yvette d'Entremont
Metro | Halifax

Almost one year after a single week of gun violence took the lives of three young black men, a local anti-violence activist believes there's reason for optimism.

Of the 12 homicides that happened in Halifax in 2016, six of the victims were black men under the age of 30. Four of those murders took place in less than one month, between March 29 and April 23.

So far this year, there have been no homicides in the city.

"I think we're moving more towards a place where residents now understand that we all have a role to play in reducing the amount of homicides," said Carlos Beals, an outreach worker with CeaseFire Halifax.

"I'm happy to see that sort of cultural shift in terms of people understanding that we have a responsibility for safer streets and not a right to safer streets."

Beals believes everyone, from residents to the business community, needs to play an



The Tyler Richards memorial in Mulgrave Park. Richards was one of many homicides last year. JEFF HARPER/METRO

active role in helping address some of the root causes of the gun violence that plagued the city.

"I think unfortunately when you see what we saw last year, that's what prompts the conversation. We've seen young people being oppressed for so long, especially different marginalized communities," he said.

"They have been oppressed for way too long and so now we're just starting to see the discourse and people starting to dig deeper and to figure

BY THE MONTH

Homicides in 2016 by the month:

- January: One
- March: Three
- April: Three
- August: One
- September: One
- November: Three

out what the root cause of all of this is."

Beals said last year's spate of

gun violence prompted more people to become involved. He believes appropriate resources must be allocated to ensure a proactive, not reactive, approach.

"We need to make sure we have a robust solution in dealing with violence and crime in our streets," he said.

"I think times are changing ... Let's hope it stays on the path of no homicides."

Halifax Regional Police said the majority of last year's homicides were not random and involved people known

to each other.

Const. Dianne Penfound said when police become aware of individuals or groups resorting to violence, they "relentlessly pursue them."

"Our goal is to change behaviour so we can suppress the violence. We also reach out to citizens and community groups who may have influence, with the hopes of diffusing hostilities," she said.

"We can't change behavior but being intelligence-led, we try to suppress violence before it occurs."

MALL PLOT

Woman pleads guilty

An American woman has pleaded guilty in a plot to kill shoppers at a Halifax mall on Valentine's Day, a potential massacre avoided by a Crime Stoppers tip to police.

Lindsay Kantha Souvanarath of Geneva, Ill., was one of three people involved in the 2015 plan to use rifles and gas bombs on people at the Halifax Shopping Centre's food court.

Chris Hansen, a spokeswoman for the public prosecution service, says the 25-year-old woman caught prosecutors off guard when she pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit murder Tuesday during a routine appearance before the Nova Scotia Supreme Court.

One of the trio of plotters, Randall Steven Shepherd, 22, pleaded guilty last year to conspiracy to commit murder and was sentenced to a decade in jail.

An agreed statement of facts in that case said that Souvanarath and James Gamble, a 19-year-old friend of Shepherd's, had planned to attack the mall.

Gamble had started an online relationship with Souvanarath in December 2014, and they exchanged explicit images.

"Ms. Souvanarath had a pre-existing interest in school shootings and Nazism. The two quickly bonded over their shared interest in Columbine and other mass shootings," it said, adding that Gamble revealed his desire to commit a mass shooting to Souvanarath.

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TRIAL

Patient says he didn't get pills doctor allegedly prescribed

A former patient of a Nova Scotia doctor accused of drug trafficking and fraud testified Tuesday that he did not receive pills even though records show they were prescribed to him.

"As God is my witness, I never got them," Merle Chase told the trial of Dr. Sarah Dawn Jones in Bridgewater provincial court.

The Crown alleges Jones wrote prescriptions for 50,000 oxycodone and OxyNeo pills to a patient, but the drugs were diverted to the community.

Chase said Jones was his doctor for four or five years, and that in January 2014 he sought treatment for pain on his lower right side.

Court heard that Jones prescribed OxyNeo in Chase's

EXCLUDED

Last week, the judge in the case ruled that information provided to a medical regulator would be excluded from the trial. The defence had argued a letter and interview Jones provided to the College of Physicians and Surgeons in September 2015 were provided under compulsion.

name multiple times in 2014 and 2015, but the 68-year-old retired truck driver testified that he did not receive the bulk of those prescriptions.

Reading from medical records, Crown attorney Josh Bryson said that in March 2014, there were eight prescriptions for OxyNeo written in Chase's name.

Bryson went month-by-month between January 2014 and August 2015, asking Chase about pills prescribed in his name. Bryson said OxyNeo was prescribed to him numerous times per month.

But Chase was not consistent in his testimony about how many prescriptions he actually received from Jones and how many pills he took.

He said he received one bottle of pills, but later said he received three prescriptions.

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Original Glass Slipper organizers and Charles P. Allen High School students in 2016, from left, Lynda Ofume, Ampai Tham-machack, Stephanie Manuel, Anna Negulic, and Julia Thorne.

JEFF HARPER FILE PHOTO

The proms will go on

GOOD WORKS

And thanks to Glass Slipper, so will dresses to wear to them



Ben Macintosh
For Metro | Halifax

Although it was tough for a Halifax group giving out free prom dresses to promote themselves this year, things are back on track in time for grad season.

During work-to-rule, which ended at the end of February, the Glass Slipper couldn't let girls in financial need know they were an option.

Their posters in schools were taken down, forcing student volunteers to inform others of what the organization offers.

Glass Slipper collects used prom dresses and distributes them to girls who wouldn't be able to afford them otherwise.

Lynda Ofume, co-founder of the organization, said work-

to-rule has also limited the fundraising for proms.

"Schools are still having proms, but the budgets are much smaller than last year," said Ofume in an interview on Tuesday.

This is the organization's second year doing the giveaway. Last year they distributed more than 200 dresses to girls in need, and have another 200-250 to give out this year.

The giveaway will be on May 20, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Halifax Central Library on Spring Garden Road. There will be refreshments and fitting rooms to try on the dresses, said Ofume.

"We want to give them the whole prom dress experience," she said.

SPARKLING

Dry cleaners provide help
Don Schelew Dry Cleaners are cleaning all the dresses, so they will be ready for the giveaway.

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THREATS

Student scammed

An international student studying at a Halifax university says he lost \$6,000 in a telephone scam involving accusations he was a terrorist and would be arrested if he didn't comply.

Mehran Durrani, who is from Pakistan, says he feels "violated" after getting a call from someone claiming to be from Immigration Canada on March 28. He says the caller knew his address and told him he was suspected of being involved in terrorist activity.

During the conversation, he also got a call from a number he believed was from the Halifax Regional Police and was told he

was going to be arrested within a couple of hours.

Durrani, who works two jobs, told Global News he became increasingly worried when they told him he was being watched, leading him to transfer money for what was described as legal help from the United States.

Const. Diane Penfound says police are investigating, but adds that these kinds of cases are difficult because it's hard to determine where the calls originated.

A crowdfunding campaign started by one of Durrani's friends has raised \$5,447 so far.

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REACTION

CBC apologizes for docu-drama series

The CBC apologized Tuesday in the wake of accusations of inaccuracies in its docu-drama Canada: The Story of Us.

Politicians in Quebec and Nova Scotia are among those who have complained about facts in the 10-hour series.

"Whenever you recount a country's history, there will inevitably be citizens, historians and politicians who will have different points of view, and that's certainly been the case with Canada: The Story of Us,"



Our intention was never to offend anyone or any group.

Chuck Thompson

CBC spokesman Chuck Thompson said.

"Our intention was never to offend anyone or any group, nor diminish the importance of any

of the stories that were not included."

Thompson added the CBC is listening to feedback on the series and is planning to host live digital conversations about it. The first conversation will take place online on the show's website, in English and French, after the next episode airs on April 18.

Thompson said each broadcast will also include perspectives of those who have sent emails, or posted on social media.

Nova Scotia Premier Stephen

McNeil said the show was wrong to assert that the country's first permanent European settlement was established in 1608 near what is now Quebec City. McNeil said the history of Canada started three years earlier, when French explorer Samuel de Champlain founded a settlement at Port Royal, which is part of his riding.

The mayor of Annapolis Royal denounced the show as an erroneous version of what really happened when Europeans first settled in Canada. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Common to host 150 fest

CANADA DAY

Citadel Hill fireworks and more planned for celebration



Haley Ryan
Metro | Halifax

Canada Day will be a major event this year at the Halifax Common, with fireworks, live music and more as part of the Canada 150 celebrations.

An information report from the Parks and Recreation Department before council on Tuesday outlines plans for the free July 1 festival in Halifax ("We Are Canadian — Nous Sommes Canadiens"), a departure from recent years when major concerts were held at Alderney Landing in Dartmouth.

"The successful history of delivering large-scale events at the Commons was a determining factor, as staff considered the safest and most accessible site to hold an event of this signifi-



There are plenty of big events planned for Canada Day in Halifax this year. THE CANADIAN PRESS

cance and audience numbers," the report said, adding that crowds are expected to reach more than 40,000 people during peak times.

Since Halifax received a "significant grant" from Canadian Heritage to fund the event as one of the 19 landmark cities

recognized as "epicentres" for Canada 150 celebrations, the festival can offer much more than in past years.

The event will begin at noon and last until midnight at the Halifax Central Common, where there will be a main stage for the evening concert featuring a

lineup of "nationally-recognized Canadian talent." There will also be a second, daytime stage for local multicultural performances, plus other family and kids areas.

A fireworks show is planned to go up over Citadel Hill, and the view from the Commons means people can watch the

MORE EVENTS

The annual Dartmouth Canada Day Pancake Breakfast and Sullivan's Pond concert is still on, and it's expected that the Canada Day free concert at Alderney Landing with the harbour fireworks will return there in 2018.

fireworks without leaving the event site.

For those who love the harbour view, there are four other fireworks shows on the Halifax Waterfront this summer, including Natal Day.

Headliners are still being confirmed, but similar to the New Year's Eve enhanced program in Halifax, the additional grant means the city can access musical artists that "until now... have been out of reach within the annual budget."

Besides the festival site at the Commons, other Canada Day events across HRM will include Bedford Days, Sackville Patriot Days and "countless other community festivals."

CRIME

Assault results in arrests

Two Halifax men have been charged with aggravated assault after an incident in Dartmouth on Monday night.

In a media release, Halifax Regional Police said they were called to an incident on Westwood Drive at 8:50 p.m. They found a 36-year-old man on scene with injuries to his face. He was brought to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Police said the victim got into a verbal altercation with a man whom he briefly chased before another man intervened. The two men then assaulted the victim.

Officers got descriptions of the suspects, who had run into a nearby house. At about 2:19 a.m., police executed a search warrant at the house on Westwood Drive and arrested the two men. Police believe the victim and the suspects knew each other.

Brandon Jordan Lawrence, 24, and Marcel David Lawrence, 25, both of Dartmouth, each face charges of aggravated assault. They are expected to appear in Halifax provincial court today.

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HIT AND RUN CHARGES LAID Police investigate a hit-and-run on April 4 near the corner of Novalea Drive and Duffus Street. A 31-year-old Halifax man turned himself into police the following day and will now face charges of failing to stop at the scene of an accident. He is scheduled to appear in Halifax provincial court on May 11. PATRICK FULGENCIO/METRO

Halifax DIGEST

CAPE BRETON

Nova Scotia woman dies in fatal fire, man escapes

Police in Cape Breton are investigating a fatal house fire. Inverness District RCMP were called to Glencoe around 7:20 a.m. Tuesday morning to respond to a fire on MacKinnon Road, a RCMP news release said.

A 56-year-old man escaped from the upstairs, and was taken to hospital and then later released. Police say a 49-year-old woman died in the home. Both were residents of Glencoe. METRO

LUNenburg COUNTY

Charges laid after alleged shooting

A 47-year-old Nova Scotia man is facing multiple weapons charges after allegedly confining a woman in a home and firing a gun.

RCMP in Lunenburg County say the woman called them last Friday to report that the man was threatening her and would not let her leave the home in Elmwood.

Police say the man fired the gun while they were headed to the house, but

no one was hurt.

They say they began talking to the man, who is alleged to have pointed the gun at officers after they arrived on scene.

Police say he surrendered and a loaded shotgun and ammunition were seized, but they are continuing to investigate.

The man is due in court today to face charges of careless use of a firearm, pointing a firearm and forcible confinement, among others.

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A 'deficient process'

DETENTION

Immigrants locked up based on dodgy risk assessments

Canada's border police have left vital records blank and said they lack the expertise to assess the risks posed by immigration detainees, documents filed in federal court reveal.

"I am not a medical or mental health professional," one Canada Border Services Agency officer wrote on a risk assessment form in 2015. "I have not received any training on the completion of the form. This assessment is cursory in nature and should not be construed as an accurate representation of the subject's risk or mental health status."

The form which the officer admitted he or she was untrained and ill-equipped to complete had real consequences for Kyon Ferri, the immigration detainee in question, as it meant he would continue to serve his indefinite detention in a maximum-security jail rather than a less-restrictive facility.

Torstar's review of documents



Ebrahim Toure has been at the Central East Correctional Centre in Lindsay, Ont., for four years. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

found erratic use of the form known as a National Risk Assessment for Detention, or NRAD. It is to be filled out when an immigration detainee is first incarcerated and, according to policy, should be reassessed every 60 days. The form determines in what kind of facility a detainee will be placed by classifying them as high-, medium- or low-risk.

The federal government runs three medium-security facilities dedicated to immigration detention, which are not full. But "high-risk" detainees are sent to maximum-security provincial jails, where, by the government's own calculation, two-thirds of the total number of immigration detention days are spent.

Lawyer Jared Will has taken

the cases of two men to federal court to challenge the immigration detention system and is shocked by the "lack of competence" of the officers filling out the forms.

"Very important decisions on people's basic liberty and security interests are being made in one of the most deficient administrative processes I've ever seen," he said.

Ebrahim Toure, a 45-year-old failed refugee claimant who was profiled last month as part of a Torstar investigation into immigration detention, has spent more than four years awaiting deportation at Central East Correctional Centre, a notorious maximum-security jail in Lindsay, Ont.

Toure has often wondered why he is not at the Immigration Holding Centre. He is not considered a danger to the public and had never spent a night in jail. Border services has said he was designated "high-risk" due to "criminality" in the U.S., which Torstar found consists of a conviction for selling pirated CDs and DVDs in Atlanta and a \$1,000 fine for "reckless conduct." Neither offence led to jail time. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

ISRAEL

Transgender officer stresses tolerance

Shachar Erez recalls the day five years ago when, as an 18-year-old female soldier, the time he told his commanding officer that he believed he was a man.

What would his army commander think? "She only asked me one thing: 'How can I help?' It was amazing."

The answer set him on a course to become an international ambassador of sorts on LGBTQ rights after becoming its first and highest-ranking openly transgender officer.

It was in that role that he was in Ottawa recently to meet senior officials in the Canadian Forces, who are still in the throes of



Shachar Erez THE CANADIAN PRESS

wrestling with their own policy on transgender issues.

The Forces' long-awaited policy on transgender personnel was expected at the end of last year, but it now appears tied up in the broader policy review of the military. THE CANADIAN PRESS

IN BRIEF

Training on sexual assault trauma wanted

Federal judges may not be the only ones in need of training to better handle sexual assault cases.

A group that represents Crown prosecutors told MPs on Tuesday that they could use the training as well.

"We do not get adequate training and we particularly

do not get training on the trauma of sexual assault," said Ursula Hendel, president of the Association of Justice Counsel.

The committee is studying a bill that would require lawyers receive training on sexual assault before being eligible for federal judicial appointments.

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'The craziest act I've ever seen': a PR crisis for United

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Experts say airline totally fumbled on bumping fiasco

United Airlines is getting pummeled on late-night TV. Online, jokers are proposing new corporate slogans such as "We'll drag you all over the world" and "We have red eye and black eye flights available."

The cellphone video of airport police dragging a 69-year-old passenger off an overbooked flight has become a public-relations fiasco for United, with travel and experts saying the airline fumbled from the start and made matters worse with a tone-deaf apology from the CEO.

It's too soon to know whether Sunday night's incident at Chicago's O'Hare Airport will cause lasting harm. Many travellers go for the cheapest fare, no matter what the name on the plane. And United frequent flyers won't easily give up their miles.



Dr. David Dao of Elizabethtown, Kentucky, with his granddaughter and his wife Teresa. INSTAGRAM

Then again, there are those videos of the man being yanked out of his seat and pulled down the aisle on his back as other passengers gasped.

"That is the craziest act I've ever seen. Who drags a ticketed passenger off an airplane?" said

Bruce Rubin, a longtime practitioner of crisis public relations in Miami. "Because it's so visual and it's so unnecessary, it's the kind of thing that can hurt United long-term."

Just two weeks ago, United was at the centre of another PR

furor after a gate agent in Denver barred two girls from boarding a flight because they were wearing leggings.

The man hauled off the plane, David Dao, a doctor from Elizabethtown, Kentucky, had been told along with three other passengers to give up their seats so that four employees of the company operating the flight for United could board. Dao was the only one to refuse.

To make room on the plane, United had tried to entice volunteers with travel vouchers worth \$800 and a hotel room. When there were no takers, a United manager went on board and announced that four people would be removed.

Big mistake, say the crisis-management experts. Everyone wondered why United didn't simply sweeten the offer until four passengers agreed to get off.

"A few dollars could have solved this problem," said Allen Adamson, founder of Brand Simple Consulting in New York. "Instead, the damage of the brand will be millions of dollars."

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STOCK MARKET

One passenger equals a billion dollar mistake

The stock of parent United Continental Holdings Inc. plunged 4.4 per cent Tuesday morning but recovered and was off 1.4 per cent shortly before the closing bell.

Earlier in the day Tuesday the massive plunge in stock value knocking off close to \$1 billion off the company's value before the stock bounced back a bit.

The recovery was attributed to a third and stronger mea culpa released by United CEO Oscar Munoz, in which he apologized for the "truly horrific event," saying, "No one should ever be mistreated this way." He prom-

4.4%

United Continental Holdings Inc stock plunged 4.4 per cent early Tuesday, but had recovered somewhat before the closing bell.

ised a review of airline policies by April 30 and vowed to "fix what's broken so this never happens again."

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Who is Dr. David Dao?

The man dragged from a full United Express flight has been identified as physician Dr. David Dao of Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

Dao is a 69-year-old Vietnamese-American, a father of five, and grandfather specializing in internal medicine.

Media reports claim that Dao's wife Teresa, 69, is a pediatrician who trained at Ho Chi Minh University in Saigon and she also practices in Elizabethtown.

The violent incident aboard the United flight has reached

the news in China, with many users accusing United of racism and calling for a boycott.

An 18-year-old Chinese student in the U.K. has even created an online petition calling on the U.S. government to investigate the violent incident.

"We are calling the federal government to launch an investigation into this incident. #ChineseLivesMatters," the petition says.

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Spicer apologizes for Hitler comments

White House Press Secretary Sean Spicer apologized Tuesday for making an "inappropriate and insensitive" comparison to the Holocaust in earlier comments about Syrian President Bashar Assad's use of chemical weapons.

Spicer said in an interview he was trying to make a point about Assad's use of chemical

weapons against his people but "mistakenly made an inappropriate and insensitive reference to the Holocaust, for which there is no comparison. And for that I apologize. It was a mistake to do that."

During the White House briefing, Spicer said that Adolf Hitler "didn't even sink to using chemical weapons." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Google denies gender pay gap charge

EMPLOYMENT

Search giant accused of shortchanging female staff

Google said it's "taken aback" by the U.S. government's claim that it doesn't compensate women fairly.

The company said it conducts

"rigorous analyses" that its pay practices are gender-blind and found "no gender pay gap" in 52 major job categories it analyzed last year. Google added that analysts who calculate suggested pay don't have access to employees' gender data.

Google also said that beyond gender pay equity, the company recently expanded the analysis to cover race in the U.S. as well.

The U.S. Department of Labor had accused Google of short-

changing women doing similar work to men, saying it found "systemic compensation disparities" across the company's workforce.

Google responded in a blog post Tuesday that the department's assertion "came without any supporting data or methodology."

The difference between Google's and the Labor Department's claims might come down to how each side defines

pay discrimination, Tim Worstall, a fellow at the Adam Smith Institute in London, wrote in a recent post for Forbes.

"Google is using a strict definition of 'same job' to find no gender pay gap. The Department of Labor is using a looser definition of 'similar job' to find that there is one," he wrote. "Who you think is right here is entirely up to you but that's where the disagreement is."

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Google says it found "no gender pay gap" in 52 major job categories it analyzed last year. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

HOUSING

Moody's says Canada at risk from correction

Moody's Investors Service has released a report that identifies Canada as one of four Aaa-rated countries exposed to a potential housing market correction.

In addition to Canada, the report lists New Zealand, Sweden and Australia as countries that have seen the largest increases in home prices and household

debt among advanced economies over the last three years.

"In Canada and New Zealand, a housing downturn would involve sizable spillovers to the broader economy through the supply chain and impacts on employment and consumption," the agency said.

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EMMA TEITEL ON SUPPORTING THE WOMEN'S GAME



Until sports fans give women's teams the daily attention they give men's teams, nothing major will change

When I was a kid, I attended a hockey camp led by Angela James, a Canadian hockey legend dubbed the Wayne Gretzky of women's hockey by many. A five-time world champ, James, in 2010, was one of the first women inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame. She was also only the second black athlete, and the first openly gay athlete, to make the Hall.

My own interaction with James was less momentous, but maybe more profound. I peed in my hockey pants. I was mortified. But James was wise enough to see that something was amiss, and kind enough to escort me to the bathroom. "It happens to the best of us," she said, handing me a fresh towel. I returned to the ice dry, happy and saved.

I've always wondered if it was a low point in James' career. When Gretzky retired he was left with wealth and fame. James, a hockey genius, was left with the need to continue working a full-time job (just as she had while she was playing hockey). Very few female hockey players in the '90s and early 2000s could support themselves — let alone live the high life — on their pay.

Nearly 20 years later, not

much has changed. Consider, as a recent example, the women of USA Hockey. Winners of the last three world championships, (and some of the best players that ever lived), last month they threatened to boycott this year's IIHF Ice Hockey World Championships, if their parent organization didn't meet the team's demands for fair pay and increased publicity. USA Hockey stonewalled the team almost until the eve of the tournament, then finally agreed to a new deal. Henceforth the American women will each receive a \$2,000 training stipend every month, every year, and larger bonuses when they win medals at major tournaments.

As victories go, it's a precarious one, it seems to me. The source of the previous injustice still remains: general fan indifference to female team sports, except for a two-week period every four years when the Olympics are held. Until sports fans — men and, yes, women too — give women's teams the daily attention they give men's teams, nothing major will change for professional female athletes or their salaries.

Angela James agrees. I know because I called her recently.

James, who works at Seneca College as the school's sports co-ordinator, wonders if what's holding women's hockey back is, in part, a desire to emulate the NHL.

"I'm not the smartest business person, but I know that any business needs to go



Hockey legend Angela James. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

smaller before they go bigger." A good way to do this? Barnstorm, argues James. Women's teams, even at a junior hockey level, might have more success shoring up a sizable fan base if they start grassroots, touring small venues, in small towns and cities.

Part of the solution may lie in playing up the skills women have that men lack. Men's hockey is speedier and more violent, no doubt, but the female game is arguably smarter. It rewards strategy over size and strength. Women's hockey is plenty tough, but knowledge of the game is paramount.

This is something NBA player Draymond Green sees in basketball. "I learn more from the WNBA," he told Sports Illustrated last year. "They know how to dribble, how to pivot, how to use the shot fake."

They also know, presumably, how to work a second job, and possibly help out young players with bladder malfunctions. James has no memory of helping me, because, she says, I was one of several campers over the years who wet themselves mid-drill. Either way, she assures me the incident would "absolutely not" constitute a low point in her career. "Unless it was puke," she said. "I can't do puke."

The thing is, men rarely have to.

Emma Teitel is a Toronto Star national affairs columnist.

Forget what the boss says; just be good



Vicky Mochama
Metro | Toronto

A company pays you for your labour — not so you can abdicate all moral responsibility.

By now, you've seen the video of a doctor being dragged off a United Airlines flight. For obvious reasons, it is upsetting. But the more insidiously upsetting thing is that it shows we have become inured to one another: Human beings enforced the company's rules.

News reports say United requested four people give up their seats. When no one volunteered, people were selected at random and told to get off the plane in exchange for vouchers. The passenger pled his case: he had to get back to Louisville to see patients. But the airline's agents and security had already bought into the company's logic.

And because the man had not, he had to be forcibly removed, or in the parlance of United, "re-accommodated." Defending their actions, the police say the passenger "fell." The video clearly shows that the police, shall we say, re-accommodated him into a non-standing position.

We have become used to a system that isolates us from each other and a logic in which the state protects companies from us. How often has a reasonable request been denied because "the computer can't do it?"

Corporations (and the state) have an interest in reinforcing

our helplessness.

The New York Times reports that New Mexico has outlawed "lunch shaming," when cafeteria workers shame kids whose parents haven't paid their school lunch bills. Children can be made to do chores in exchange for food or branded with stamps and wristbands.

Let us set aside for the moment that one of the richest nations in the world can't feed its children. Let's focus on the smaller acts of intervention.

Lunch shaming is a sickening practice, but there are cafeteria staff who resisted it. The Times reports that one worker had taken to paying some students' debt. Another had quit rather than deny food to children.

Most of us work for corporations with similar logic to United Airlines and school lunch providers. Their goal is to maximize efficiency. But it doesn't have to be ours.

Because I lose my debit card as often as I possibly can, I have been grateful for the baristas who waved off my pitiful change, the bus drivers who waved me on when my pass didn't work, and the taxi drivers who got me home safe for free.

The gap between human empathy and corporate logic is not always as dangerous as being bloodied during a flight, but it can be, which is why we have a responsibility to resist it.

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METROTALKS BARB STEGEMANN

'You're not going to fix the world in one night'

Subject of new documentary *Perfume War* on how to run an ethical business

Melita Kuburas
Metro | Canada



She's a half-Jewish, half-Catholic woman from Nova Scotia doing business with Muslim men in Afghanistan. At least, these are the facts people often bring up to Barb Stegemann, asking: How do they treat you?

"The men in these countries treat me better than the white men in my own community," Stegemann says, always quick to point out that in Canada, we too live in a patriarchy.

"What's beautiful about ethical business is that they don't care what your gender is, or your faith. If you pay on time, you're good," says Stegemann in an interview with Metro's editorial team.

The founder and CEO of The 7 Virtues is the subject of a new documentary opening across Canada Friday called *Perfume War*, which profiles how she launched her fragrance business as a single mom, putting \$20,000 of debt on her credit card.

Her motivation was an extraordinary event that changed many lives: In 2006 her best friend, Capt. Trevor Greene, took an axe to the head wielded by a member of the Taliban during what was supposed to be a protected meeting (*shura*) between Canadian Forces and tribal elders in Afghanistan. His attacker was an illiterate 16-year-old who was shot before he could strike again, but the first blow caused serious brain injury and left Greene unable to walk.

At his bedside in a Vancouver hospital, Stegemann vowed to continue Greene's peace-oriented mission. She found a supplier in Afghanistan named Abdullah Arsala who was selling essential oils to make perfume in an effort to derail the country's dependence on the dangerous



Barb Stegemann launched her perfume company, The 7 Virtues, after her best friend was seriously injured in Afghanistan. Capt. Trevor Greene (pictured left with Stegemann when they were both younger) was attacked with an axe by a member of the Taliban, which caused brain damage. Stegemann then decided to partner with a rose and orange blossom distiller in that country. LIZ BEDDALL/FOR METRO

and illegally grown poppy crops, used to make opium.

She launched her company in 2010 and now, 7 Virtues' line is expanded to five fragrances with oils also sourced from distilleries in Rwanda, Haiti, Israel, and Iran, with national distribution in Hudson's Bay and Lord & Taylor in the U.S.

"You're not going to fix the world in one night, but if you start you'll look back in six years and say we've made a difference," says Stegemann, who is now ready to take her company to the next level. She has her eye on the Holy Grail of the beauty industry: Sephora.

Next week, Stegemann is travelling to San Francisco to take part in Sephora's accelerator program, which aims to

support women in the industry. Only four per cent of CEOs in the beauty business are female, she says. The 48-year-old will be mentored on how to revamp her perfumes so that she can pitch to the company and get them on the retailer's shelves.

In startup years, The 7 Virtues is an old company. One of her challenges is to show she's willing to do anything to become a global brand.

"You have to show that you're not attached to your ideas and you're malleable," she says, of the program. "If you said to me two months ago 'Why don't you redesign your fragrances?' I would have been like, don't you dare!"

But now, she has hired a new perfumer with the ultimate goal

to increase sales and buy more oils from her distillery suppliers. This brings direct benefits to those communities.

In Rwanda, for instance, a woman working for patchouli supplier Nicholas of Ildrezi earns three times the income a coffee crop worker makes; in Afghanistan, the rose farmers make twice that of illegal-crop growers.

So while Stegemann's mission has only just started — she still wants to make a perfume using oils from Palestine — her best friend, who has made remarkable progress on his recovery, is happy with all that she has been able to accomplish.

"Barb completed my mission," says Greene in the documentary. "Who would have thought...perfume?"



TIPS FOR A SOCIAL ENTERPRISE

• Partner with government agencies and NGOs

"Anyone who wants to be a social entrepreneur should have their supplier pre-qualified so you can feel safe knowing you're working with someone who's good to their farmers, not using pesticides, all the things you care about in your product sourcing," says Stegemann. She worked with CIDA, Building Markets, The Clinton Foundation and USAID.

• Ask a lot of questions

of people you work with

"A social entrepreneur needs to be curious and and be OK with 'no' and ask again. I didn't always get direct answers."

• Spend time to build trust with your partners

Stegemann says she is transparent with her suppliers, and is happy to bring them new business even if it means her company won't be so "special." "Over the years they see that you're not just in it for your oils," she says.

MELITA KUBURAS/METRO

Speak of the devilled (eggs)

Borscht Eggs

These eggs have a deep purple-pink tinge after marinating in pickled beet juice overnight. Mixing the yolks with horseradish and topping it off with herring, capers and dill completes this Russian-inspired appetizer.

2 1/2 cups (625 mL) water
1 cup (250 mL) apple cider vinegar
2 tbsp (30 mL) granulated sugar
1/2 tsp (2 mL) Kosher salt
1 small beet, peeled and sliced thinly
6 hard-boiled eggs, peeled
2 tbsp (30 mL) mayonnaise
2 tbsp (30 mL) prepared horseradish
1/2 tsp (2 mL) fresh dill, plus more for garnish, chopped
Freshly ground black pepper, to taste
Jarred pickled herring, for garnish
Capers, for garnish

In a saucepan, combine water, vinegar, sugar salt and beets. Bring to boil over medium-high heat. Turn heat down to medium and



simmer for 5 minutes.

Place boiled eggs in a bowl and add beet mixture. Make sure eggs are submerged. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate overnight. Stir occasionally for even colour distribution.

Drain eggs and chop beets into small matchsticks for garnish. Using a very sharp non-serrated knife, slice eggs in half lengthwise.

Gently squeeze yolks into a bowl with fingers (they

should pop right out, if not, use a spoon to help). Place cooked whites on serving platter.

Mash yolks with a fork and stir in mayonnaise, salt and pepper until creamy and combined.

Dispense yolk mixture back into egg whites using a spoon or a piping bag fitted with a large star tip.

Garnish with herring, dill, capers and chopped beets. Serve immediately. Makes 12.

Soy Sauce and Miso-Ginger Eggs

2 1/2 cups (625 mL) water
3 tbsp (45 mL) dark Chinese soy sauce
1 tsp granulated sugar
2 slices fresh ginger
3 star anise pods
1/2 tsp black peppercorns
6 hard-boiled eggs, peeled
2 tbsp (30 mL) mayonnaise
1 tsp (5 mL) white miso paste
1/4 tsp freshly grated ginger
1 stalk green onion, finely chopped

In saucepan, combine water, soy sauce, sugar, ginger, star anise and peppercorns. Bring to boil over medium heat. Turn down to low and let simmer for 5 minutes.

Pour soy sauce mixture over eggs, ensuring eggs are submerged in liquid. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate overnight. Stir every so often for even colour distribution.

Drain liquid and discard

spices. Slice eggs in half lengthwise. Gently squeeze out yolks into a bowl. Place cooked whites on serving platter. Mash yolks with a fork and stir in mayonnaise, miso paste and ginger. Dispense yolk mixture back into egg whites. Garnish with green onion and furikake. Serve immediately, makes 12.



Curried Eggs

2 1/2 cups (625 mL) water
1 cup (250 mL) apple cider vinegar
1 tbsp (15 mL) ground turmeric
1/2 tsp (2 mL) Kosher salt
6 hard-boiled eggs, peeled
2 tbsp (30 mL) mayonnaise
1/2 tsp (2 mL) curry powder
Pinch of ground cumin
Pinch of cayenne
1 tbsp (15 mL) canola or vegetable oil
1/4 cup (60 mL) canned chickpeas, drained, rinsed and dried
Kosher salt, to taste



Combine water, vinegar, turmeric and salt. Boil and simmer for 5 minutes.

Place eggs in a bowl and pour turmeric mixture over eggs to completely submerge. Refrigerate overnight. Stir every so often for even

colour distribution.

Drain liquid and rinse off any excess turmeric. Slice eggs in half lengthwise.

Gently squeeze yolks into a bowl. Mash yolks and stir in mayonnaise, curry powder, cumin and cayenne. Dispense yolk mixture back into egg whites. In a small skillet, heat oil. Add chickpeas and sauté till browned and crispy, about 6 to 8 minutes. Remove excess oil. Garnish eggs with fried chickpeas and additional pinch of cayenne.

Serve immediately. Makes 12.

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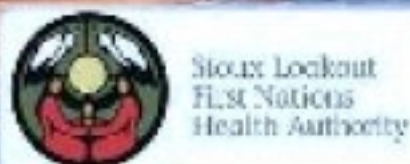
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SIoux LOOKOUT

New health plan trying to fill gaps for First Nation communities

Providing medical services to an area as large as France is no easy task. Sioux Lookout and the surrounding region has 33 communities, and the majority of the 32,000 people living there are only accessible by air transportation. Covering the health needs of these communities is accordingly a formidable challenge.

Yet a new initiative from the Sioux Lookout First Nations Health Authority hopes to unite existing services to meet that challenge.

"Our communities are remote and poverty-stricken. Their health has become a state of emergency," says Dr. Terri Farrell, Sioux Lookout's medical director. "There's extremely poor physical and mental health in the region, with high instances of mental health issues."

So in February 2016, after a Health and Public Health emergency was declared for the region, an initiative was offered via the Ontario Indigenous Health Action Plan. "We could apply for an interdisciplinary and primary health care team at \$3 million a year," says Farrell. "It isn't a lot for what we need. But it was the first step."

The plan would supplement the current setup of physicians and Health Canada nurses working in the region. "This would fill the gap



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of services," says Farrell. This comes in the form of 20 health care providers such as family physicians, nurse practitioners, dietitians, mental health workers, physiotherapists, occupational therapists and more. While the group would focus on children and youth health, it wouldn't exclusively serve that population.

Importantly these services are based on an outreach model. "While the head office is in Sioux Lookout, the focus is providing these services in the communities as much as possible," says Farrell. "It's a big initiative. That is why we need smart and dedicated people to deliver these vital services. We are looking for people that want to make a difference."

TOP 150

CELEBRATING CANADA'S GIFTS TO THE WORLD

10 sports stars for the ages

SPORTS

Canadian athletes make their mark in history books

Rhonda Riche

Canada has produced its share of sport superstars, but only a few have changed the rules of the game. Here's a list of the Great White North's greatest athletes.

1 Patrick Chan

A two-time Olympic silver medalist, three-time world champion and nine-time Canadian champion, Chan has stayed on top of the figure-

skating scene for more than a decade and has wowed audiences and fellow competitors with his big jumps.

2 Shirley and Sharon Firth

As members of

the first Canadian women's cross-country ski team at the Sapporo Olympics in 1972, twin sisters Shirley and Sharon Firth, members of the Gwich'in First Nation, were among the first Aboriginal athletes to represent Canada at the Olympics and the first to be inducted into Canada's Sports Hall of Fame.



3 Nancy Greene

Greene won the first ever World Cup ski race in 1967 and took home the gold at the Winter Olympic Games in Grenoble, France, in 1968. She also popularized the sport of downhill skiing through her schools. In 1999, Greene was named Canada's female athlete of the century.



4 Wayne Gretzky

His nickname, "The Great One," pretty much sums up Wayne Gretzky's career in hockey. Only one of his 61 records has been broken since he retired in 1999.

5 Clara Hughes

In the history of the Olympics, only four athletes have won medals in both the summer and winter games. Hughes is one of them, capturing bronze in Individual Road Race Cycling and Individual Time Trial Cycling (Atlanta, 1996) and 5,000 m Speed Skating (Salt Lake City, 2002).

6 Ferguson Jenkins

The Chicago Cubs' pitching legend Fergie Jenkins was the first Canadian to win the Cy Young Award, as well as the country's first baseball Hall of Fame member. In the off-season, he played basketball with the Harlem Globetrotters from 1967 to 1969.

7 Silken Laumann

In May 1992, just 10 weeks before the Olympic Games, rower Laumann was injured in a brutal rowing accident that left her right leg shattered. Twenty-seven days later, she made the greatest comeback in Canadian sports history,

winning the bronze medal for Canada.

8 Tom Longboat

In the early 20th century, the Onondaga-Canadian was the dominant long-distance runner of the age. After winning the 1907 Boston Marathon, he became so popular that people bought tickets to watch him compete in indoor races.

9 Steve Nash

Eight-time NBA All-Star and two-time league MVP, Nash is considered one of the sport's greatest point guards. At the same time, he received the Order of Canada and the Walter Kennedy Citizenship Award for his community work with the Steve Nash Foundation, a charity aimed at helping "underserved children" in British Columbia and around the world.



10 Gilles and Jacques Villeneuve

This father and son team are Canada's most famous auto racers. While Gilles won only six events before his untimely death, his racing was legendary. Jacques has won a PPG Indy Car World Series Championship and Indianapolis 500 and is the only Canadian to have won a Formula One World Championship.



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THE CHECKLIST | 2018 CHEVROLET EQUINOX

THE BASICS

Engine: 1.5-liter turbo four-cylinder
Output: 170 horsepower, 203 pound-feet of torque
Transmission: 6-speed automatic
Fuel Economy (l/100 km): 9.0 city, 7.4 highway, 8.4 combined (est.)
Price: Starts at \$26,995



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- Not as spacious as a CR-V
- Seems to wander
- Could be quieter

REVIEW

Drive boasts local cuisine and Equinox's best assests



Craig Cole
AutoGuide.com

At new-vehicle launches, it's always a bit suspicious when an automaker spends more time hyping the drive route or lunch stops than they do the product.

Chevrolet seemed proud of the area roads and local cuisine we would experience in the Carolinas when they invited AutoGuide.com down to Dixie for a test of their overhauled 2018 Equinox. There was no technical lecture or in-depth walkaround of this new compact crossover; only a marketing spiel on the second day. But this apparent caginess was unnecessary as the new Equinox is a solid product they have every right to be proud of.

One of their greatest feats was getting this vehicle to shed about 400 pounds, roughly a 10 per cent reduction. The body is nearly five inches shorter, something that helped, but this change had no ill-effect on utility. Maximum cargo capacity has been increased by around 99 litres. With the back seats folded down there's just shy of 1,812 litres available.

The Equinox's interior bears a strong resemblance to what's found in other recent Chevrolets. Largely made of low-sheen hard plastic, it nonetheless looks quite nice. There are high-quality soft

materials where you want them, like the armrests and upper portions of the dashboard. Front or rear, seat comfort is admirable.

None of the offerings in the compact segment drive like sports cars and this Chevy's no exception. The 1.5-litre engine pulls strongest around 3,500 RPM. Power is adequate, but the vehicle is never particularly enthusiastic. Climbing the Blue Ridge Mountains around Asheville, North Carolina revealed that this crossover is a little taxed, moseying up the hills even at wide-open throttle. A full load of passengers and parcels would reduce vigor even more.

Still, on flatter terrain or lower elevations the performance provided is perfectly fine for a large swath of crossover customers. Buyers that want more giddy-up can always opt for the 2.0-litre engine.

If there's a downside to the way this vehicle drives it's the steering. I found it decently communicative but even with the optional lane-keep assist enabled the Equinox wanders, requiring constant correction to keep it within the lane markers.

Equinox offers a wide range of advanced driver-assistance technologies including low-speed forward automatic braking; blind-spot monitoring; rear cross-traffic alert; a visual parking aid; and a vibrating safety alert seat.

The 2018 Equinox doesn't necessarily feel like a best-in-class crossover, but it's certainly one of the better offerings. Efficient and refined, spacious and tech savvy, there's no reason why it shouldn't give rivals a run for their money in an increasingly competitive segment.

INSTRUCTIONAL

Know your angles before off-roading

Stephen Elmer

AutoGuide.com



When researching an off-roader, you'll inevitably run into the terms 'approach angles' and 'departure angles,' which are also sometimes called ramp angles. While you might be surprised to learn what trigonometry has to do with mud flinging, understanding these terms can help you make a wise purchase.

To put it simply, the approach and departure angle govern the

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How to measure angles

Take something long and straight like a broom or a yardstick and place one end exactly where the front tire makes contact with the ground. Take the other end and lift it until it hits the

lowest point at the front of your car, often a piece of bumper. Use a protractor to find the angle compared to the ground — that's the approach angle. Repeat these steps at the back for the departure angle.

types of obstacles you can drive over without hitting your bumper while ascending or descending. Imagine a ramp. If the ramp is

too steep and you try and drive up it, the front bumper of the vehicle will hit the ramp before the wheels have a chance to start

climbing. So the maximum angle from the ground that the ramp can have without the front bumper colliding is known as approach angle, while at the rear end, it's known as the departure angle.

There is a third angle that is important for off-roading: the breakover angle. This is the angle between the bottom of your tires and the mid-point of vehicle's underside. If the breakover angle is exceeded, it will leave the vehicle turtled — where all four wheels come off the ground and lose traction.

Approach, departure and



Approach angles and departure angles determine whether you'll be able to tackle that ridge up ahead. ISTOCK

breakover angles are governed by a number of vehicle design characteristics. The overhang of the bumper past the axles helps to determine ramp angles, along with the design of that bumper. An ideal off-roader will have a rounder bumper style or one that doesn't protrude unnecessarily.

The overall ground clearance of the vehicle will also determine what the ramp angles will be.

Some examples of excellent ramp angles come from vehicles like the Jeep Wrangler, with an approach angle of 42.2, and the Toyota 4Runner, with an approach angle of 33 degrees.

A LEGO kit for future car designers

LEGO

Build a McLaren

A second McLaren supercar has joined the ranks of the LEGO Speed Champions series. The McLaren 720S supercar will become available for everyone to enjoy in June, shortly after the actual 720S supercars are delivered to their owners.

The 720S joins the McLaren P1 in the ranks of supercars immortalized by LEGO. The new 720S LEGO kit is great for aspiring car designers, as it includes a mini designer, a design studio desk complete with coffee cup and original design sketch and a 3D-printed model car.

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LYNK & CO

Concept leaked

Photos of the Lynk & Co 02 sedan have made an early appearance online.

Images were posted on Adamsky Management with credit to Fredrik Etoall for Lynk & Co.

But Lynk & Co hasn't unveiled the concept, so it's possible that Etoall accidentally posted the pics early, previewing the wild concept sedan with rear suicide doors.

While we don't know much besides styling, it shows the versatility of Volvo's architecture as Lynk & Co is owned by the same Chinese company that bought the German automaker.

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PARENTING

Ford cot rocking babies to sleep

One of the quickest ways to put a fussy toddler to sleep is by driving them around in a car. But that isn't always convenient or easy, which is why Ford has created a cot that simulates the motion, engine noise and even the street lighting of a nighttime drive, so parents can put their babies to sleep from inside their home.

The Max Motor Dreams looks just like a regular cot, but comes to life using a smartphone app. Users can also record and play back the comforting movement, lights and sounds of a particular trip.

The Max Motor Dreams was supposed to be a one-off, but Ford is now considering production after having received numerous inquiries. JASON SIU/AUTOGUIDE.COM

NISSAN

Police concept

Nicknamed "Copzilla," this modified Nissan GT-R will make its presence known at the 2017 New York Auto Show.

Joining the 2017 Nissan GT-R Track Edition and the 2018 Nissan 370Z Heritage Edition in New York is the Nissan GT-R Police Pursuit #23, featuring a police livery for the fictional Skyline Metro Police Department.

The flat black exterior has gold graphics, police lights on the roof and the front grille, a scrolling LED light bar, a "Skyline Metro" badge on the hood and door panels. There's also slightly wider carbon fibre fender flares, with side mirrors and rear spoiler also made of carbon fibre. The performance is untouched, but Nissan has installed coilovers for a lower ride height and the factory wheels have been tossed in favour of massive 22-inch rollers, with spikes. JASON SIU/AUTOGUIDE.COM



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Tesla reports record sales

Tesla continues to surprise with its sales figures despite reports of delays and other hiccups.

So far this year, Tesla has delivered 25,000 cars, a 69 per cent increase from the first quarter last year. Reuters reports this is a new quarterly record for the American electric car manufacturer. Of the cars delivered, Tesla said 13,450 were Model S sedans and 11,550 were Model X. Tesla says it expected total deliveries to hit 47,000 to 50,000 by the middle of the year.

Last quarter, Tesla ran into production delays, which resulted in fewer deliveries. The smaller and more affordable Model 3 sedan is expected to arrive later this year, but again, delays wouldn't be surprising.

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7 GIMMICKY AUTOMOTIVE FEATURES

Cars today are packed with more features than ever before. While most were developed with good intentions, some end up being no more than an advertising line. You know the ones; these features attract an awful lot of attention and might seem great in theory, but never end up being truly useful in real life. On that note, here's a list, in no particular order, of some of the most gimmicky features on the market today. **DAN ILIKA/AUTOGUIDE.COM**



1 Cadillac's rear camera mirror

Replacing a traditional rear view mirror with a camera display is a sign of the times. It's also a little too gimmicky for our liking. Cadillac claims this fancy digital display, which uses a rear-mounted camera to display a live look at what's behind the car, improves rearward vision by 300 percent compared to a traditional mirror. It's a great idea in theory, but we've tried using it before and just can't get used to it, so it ends up being pretty useless especially at night. Chalk this one up to the old if-it-ain't-broke adage.



2 Cabin perfume dispensers

Speaking of unpleasant odors, cruising around with an air freshener dangling from a rearview mirror is tacky, especially in a pricey premium vehicle. The solution, then, is to integrate fresh scents directly into the car's HVAC system. Mercedes-Benz and BMW have both done this, though it's hard to think of it as anything less than a neat trick to show off to friends. Just believe us when we tell you that the novelty will wear off quicker than the "energy of cool woodlands" scents brought on by BMW's Green Suite of smells.



3 Rolls-Royce's fibre-optic headliner

As far as lighting systems go, the only thing more outlandish than Mercedes-Benz's Swarovski crystal headlights (don't even get us started) is this fibre-optic headliner offered by Rolls-Royce. Because buying a convertible to actually look at the stars is far too peasant-like, the automaker's bespoke division will gladly stitch you a headliner full of as many as 1,600 fiber-optic lights. And people say kids these days don't spend enough time outside.

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4 Paddle shifters in non-sports cars

What was formerly reserved for the likes of Ferraris has now trickled down market to be featured in everything from family sedans to minivans. This is a trend we'd like to see put out of its misery, though that's unlikely to happen any time soon. It's a pretty safe bet that people who don't drive sports cars will never use their paddle shifters — that's why they bought an automatic to begin with.



5 BMW's gesture control

On the subject of in-car entertainment, there's the gesture control functionality in cars like the BMW 7 Series. Using a tiny camera that recognizes hand movements, the twirl of a finger offers a fast way to turn down the volume of the stereo, while a swiping motion will ignore a phone call. The advantage here is one of safety, allowing the driver to conduct menial tasks while keeping his or her eyes on the road. But until the limited functionality expands, gesture control will remain little more than a way to impress people.



6 Ford Focus RS Drift Mode

If you're out to impress people, there may be no better car to do so for less than \$50,000 than the Ford Focus RS. It's fast and fun and took home top honours as AutoGuide.com's 2017 Car of the Year, its user-friendly ways played a big role. Of course, it is possible to be a little too user-friendly. The flick of a switch is about all it takes to get sideways in the RS. Unfortunately, it's also a quick way to shred tires and shouldn't be used anywhere except a track. As far as fancy features goes, this is about as gimmicky as it gets.



7 Honda Ridgeline's in-bed audio system

Aspects of the Ridgeline's bed are ingenious — like the trunk or the way the tailgate can be opened two ways. Its audio system, however, isn't worthy of the same praise. Sure, you may be a hit at the next tailgate party, but a pound of chicken wings would have the same effect. The bed isn't even fitted with real speakers just six "exciters" bolted into the walls that vibrate along with the stereo in the cabin.



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Tampa Bay Lightning head coach Jon Cooper will be bench boss for Team Canada at the world hockey championship in Paris next month



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NHL PLAYOFFS

Pacioretty says teams' styles too alike, rough series expected

When Montreal Canadiens fans think of the playoff series against the New York Rangers in 2014 they see Chris Kreider crashing into and injuring goalie Carey Price in the opening game.

The Canadiens insist that incident wasn't even discussed as they got ready to face Kreider and the Rangers again in Game 1 of their NHL Eastern Conference first round series on Wednesday night.

Captain Max Pacioretty, when asked about "the incident," thought it referred to the blind side hit by then Canadian Brandon Prust to Derek Stepan's jaw in Game 3 of that series, won in six games by New York with backup Dustin Tokarski in the Montreal net.

"That series got a little bit ugly with Prust's hit on Steps there, but we're hockey players," Pacioretty said this week.

"Stuff happens and you move on. I know Stepan personally. I know a bunch of guys on their team. It's not one of those rivalries where you go out there and you're just thinking about how much you hate



Canadiens fans will be hoping for good health against the Rangers this playoffs, especially when it comes to superstar 'keeper Carey Price, centre. PAUL BERESWILL/GETTY IMAGES

each other. It's more that our teams clash because our playing styles are so similar."

There are certainly similarities between the two clubs. Montreal finished first in the Atlantic division at 47-26-9 for 103 points. New York was fourth in the stacked Metropol-

itan at 48-28-6 for 102 points.

Both have a goalie considered among the best in the world in Price and the Rangers' Henrik Lundqvist.

They are two teams that play high-tempo hockey, with the Rangers holding the advantage on attack and the Canadiens a little better on defence.

Montreal's power play ranked 13th with a 19.6 per cent success rate this season while New York's was 12th at 19.8 per cent, although the

Canadiens had the 14th best penalty kill while the Rangers were 21st.

It even extends to the two coaches. Montreal's Claude Julien and New York's Alain Vigneault are both from the Ottawa area, were minor league teammates as players in the St. Louis Blues organization and both got their first NHL jobs in Montreal.

"They play fast for 82 games and so do we," said Pacioretty. "You don't often see that."

"Both teams are built for the playoffs in that sense. We feel we've been playing that way for a while now and I'm sure they feel the same."

They are both mainly healthy, although Canadiens defenceman Alexei Emelin will miss at least the opener with an undisclosed injury. Rearguards Shea Weber and Jordie Benn have both returned from late-season injuries.

Pacioretty left practice early Tuesday after an accidental high stick from Michael McCarron got under his visor but Julien said the team's medical staff were confident he will be able to play.

A major factor in Montreal's favour is in head-to-head meetings with New York. The Canadiens went 3-0-0 against them this season. Much of that comes down to the goaltenders.

Price is 15-5-1 with a 1.82 goals against average and .940 save percentage in his career against the Rangers while Lundqvist, who seems to have never quite got over blowing a 5-0 lead and losing to Montreal on Feb. 20, 2008, is 14-17-3 with a 2.57 average and .898 save percentage against Montreal.

Price had a laugh with the media this week but gave short, sometimes flippant answers to questions. Asked about the Kreider incident he said "it's a new day."

On whether the Rangers would invade his crease again, he said "yeah, that sounds like playoff hockey."

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SENATORS-BRUINS

Cassidy nervous ahead of series

Bruce Cassidy knows how to handle the pre-playoff jitters this time.

Returning to the Stanley Cup playoffs as a head coach for the first time since 2003, Ottawa's Cassidy is trusting in his Boston team to smooth over some of the butterflies he feels before

the first-round series against the Senators.

"I'll have some nerves, but not a lot," he said after practice Tuesday as his team prepared to travel to Ottawa.

"I feel good about our team."

Cassidy took over the Bruins on Feb. 7 when they fired Claude Julien — the winningest coach in franchise history — and the man who led the team to two Stanley Cup finals, including the 2011 championship. Boston won its first four games under the new coach and then added a six-game winning streak to clinch its first playoff berth since 2014.

In all, the Bruins have gone 18-8 under Cassidy, whose only other NHL head coaching experience was less than two seasons with the Washington Capitals in 2002-04.

"We've played pretty well since he was the captain of the ship," defenceman Kevan Miller said.

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Bruce Cassidy
GETTY IMAGES

“That series got a little bit ugly with Prust's hit on Steps there, but we're hockey players.”

Habs captain Max Pacioretty

MLB

Boyd shows quality as Tigers edge Twins

Matthew Boyd allowed one hit in six outstanding innings, and James McCann homered in the fifth to lift the Detroit Tigers to a 2-1 victory over the Minnesota Twins on Tuesday.

Boyd (1-1) took a no-hitter into the sixth before Robbie Grossman broke it up by lining a clean single to left field with two out.

Tigers relievers have struggled so far this season, but they were able to close this game out.

Francisco Rodriguez allowed a run in the ninth but recovered

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for his third save in four chances. Pinch hitter Max Kepler hit a popup with two on to end it.

Hector Santiago (1-1) allowed only three hits in 6-1/3 innings, but one was a two-run shot by McCann. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

IN BRIEF

Trio added to Olympic team

Mikael Kingsbury, Justine Dufour-Lapointe and Andi Naude have been named to Canada's freestyle ski team for the 2018 Winter Olympics.

The three mogul skiers took advantage of their results over the past World Cup season to bypass the long and complex qualification process leading up to the 2018 Pyeongchang Games. Freestyle Canada used the results from several big events in 2017 to select three skiers. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Osuna activated by Jays

As expected, the Blue Jays activated closer Roberto Osuna ahead of their home opener. Osuna had been on the 10-day disabled list due to neck spasms.

Right-hander Casey Lawrence was optioned to triple-A Buffalo to make room. Toronto (1-5) faced Milwaukee (2-5) on Tuesday, the opening game of a nine-game homestand. THE CANADIAN PRESS

For the result of the Blue Jays' home opener go to metronews.ca

MLB

Yanks again ranked most-valuable club

Forbes ranks the New York Yankees as baseball's most valuable team for the 20th straight year and lists the Tampa Bay Rays with the lowest valuation.

Forbes said Tuesday it estimates the Yankees are worth \$3.7 billion US, up 9 per cent from last year. The Dodgers are next at \$2.75 billion, a 10 per cent

increase. Boston was third at \$2.7 billion, followed by the Chicago Cubs (\$2.675 billion), San Francisco (\$2.65 billion) and New York Mets (\$2 billion).

At the bottom were the Rays (\$825 million), Oakland (\$880 million), Cincinnati (\$915 million) and Cleveland (\$920 million). THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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The Blue Jays were 16th, valued at \$1.3B billion.



Dortmund hit in 'targeted attack'

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

Defender hurt after German club's bus hit with explosives

Three explosions went off near the team bus of Borussia Dortmund, one of Germany's top soccer clubs, as it set off for a Champions League quarter-final match on Tuesday evening. Dortmund defender Marc Bartra was injured.

Police said they were working on the assumption that the blasts were directed at the Dortmund team and caused by "serious explosive devices."

The first-leg match against Monaco was called off and rescheduled for Wednesday.

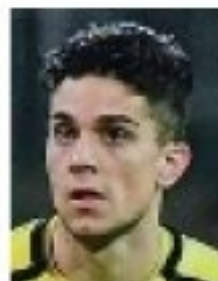
A letter claiming responsibility

was found near the blasts, prosecutor Sandra Luecke said but wouldn't reveal more about its contents.

The case is being investigated as attempted homicide, Luecke said.

"We had to assume, and assumed right from the start, that this was a targeted attack against the team of Borussia Dortmund," Dortmund Police Chief Gregor Lange.

There were three explosions near the Dortmund bus as the team left the L'Arrivee Hotel and Spa on the outskirts of the western city of Dortmund for the stadium, around 10 kilometres away, police said.



Marc Bartra
GETTY IMAGES

"We're all shocked — nobody thought about a football match in the minutes after that."

Dortmund's Roman Buerki

A window on the bus was damaged and Spanish defender Bartra was injured. Club spokesman Sascha Fligge said Bartra was operated on late Tuesday for a broken bone in his right wrist and to remove "foreign objects" from his arm.

The team bus had just pulled out of the hotel driveway when an explosion — a "huge bang" — happened and sent glass flying, Dortmund goalkeeper Roman Buerki said.

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IN TURIN, ITALY JUVENTUS GO UP BIG ON BARÇA Paulo Dybala outshone his Argentine compatriot Lionel Messi by scoring twice to help Juventus beat Barcelona 3-0 in Leg 1 of their Champions League quarter-final on Tuesday. MIGUEL MEDINA/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

IN BRIEF

Late enforcer Probert has ashes spread in Joe's sin bin

Late Red Wings enforcer Bob Probert has been given a little more time in the penalty box at Detroit's Joe Louis Arena.

Probert's widow, Dani, sprinkled some of the forward's ashes in the box on Sunday, when the Red Wings played their final game in the stadium.

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No verdict in ex-NFL star Hernandez's murder trial

The jury in the double-murder trial of ex-NFLer Aaron Hernandez finished its third day of deliberations on Tuesday without a verdict.

Jurors have spent about 19 hours deliberating since Friday. Deliberations are scheduled to resume Wednesday. The former New England tight end is accused of shooting two men in 2012 after one of them accidentally spilled a drink on him at a Boston nightclub. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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For Metro Canada

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Ready in 22 minutes

Prep time: 10

Cook time: 12

Serves 4

Ingredients

- 2 chicken breasts
- 1/4 - 1/2 head of purple cabbage, thinly sliced
- 1/4 - 1/2 head of green cabbage, thinly sliced
- 2 carrots, shredded
- 1 red pepper, thinly sliced
- 1/2 cucumber, peeled and sliced
- 2 spring onions, sliced
- handful cilantro, chopped
- 1/3 cup peanuts, chopped (optional)

Dressing

- 1 Tbsp sesame oil
- 1 Tbsp soy sauce
- 1/2 tsp sriracha
- 1 Tbsp vegetable oil
- 1 tsp fish sauce
- 1 tsp sugar

Directions

1. Fill a skillet with water and season with salt and pepper. Bring to a simmer. Place chicken breasts in water and cook 10 to 12 minutes, depending on how thick the breasts are. Remove and place on a clean plate. Use two forks to shred the chicken.
2. In a small bowl, whisk together dressing ingredients. In a large serving bowl, toss together vegetables and chicken. Drizzle dressing over salad and toss again.
3. Serve salad in bowls and garnish with cilantro and chopped peanuts.

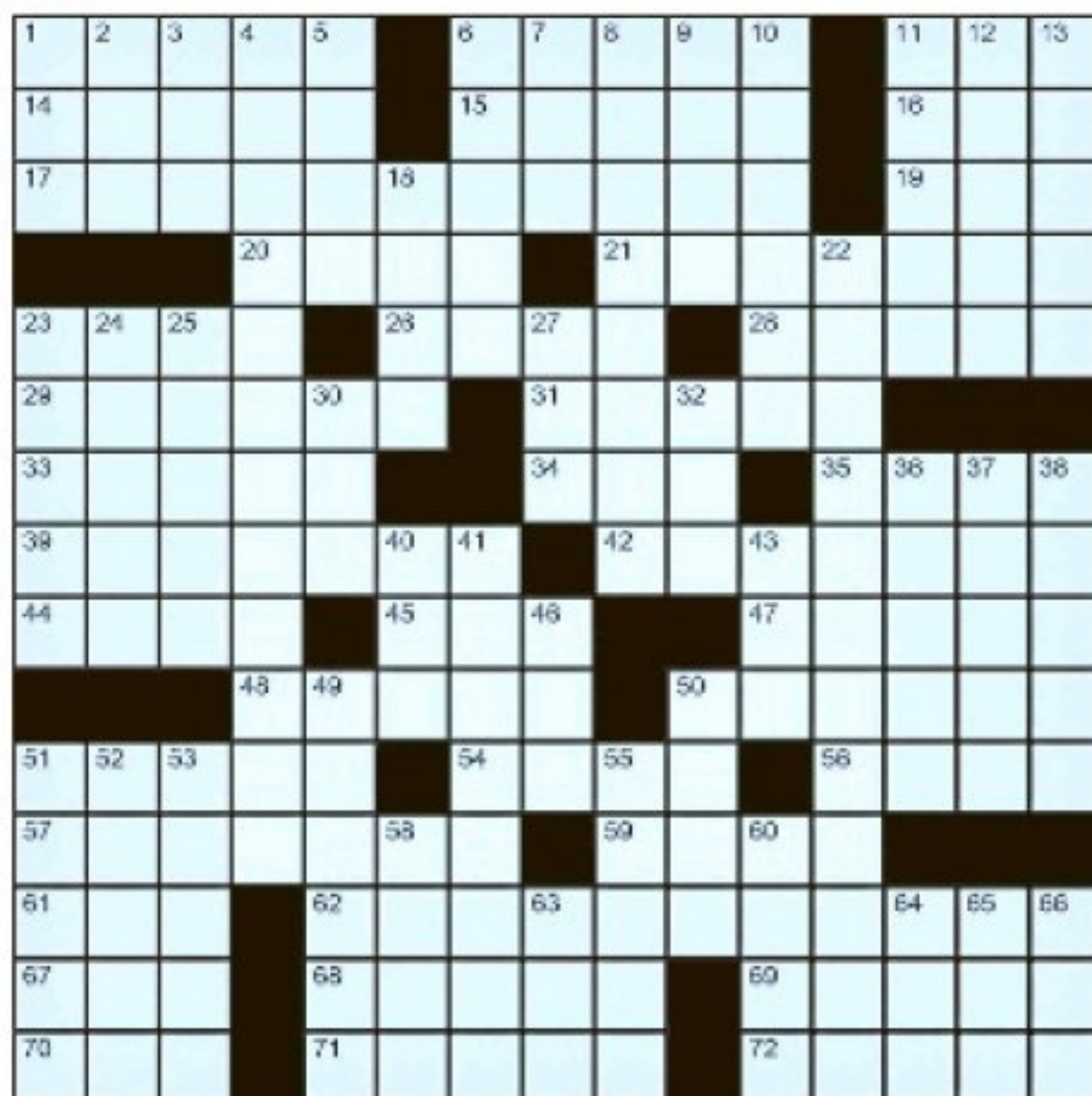
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ACROSS

1. As such, Latin-style: 2 wds.
6. Harmonize
11. _Jongg
14. Basketball great Shaquille
15. Cheerful
16. Expert
17. Entree at a Passover supper: 2 wds.
19. Bus or train, e.g.
20. Orderly
21. Toronto-born NHL head coach who is an Honoured Member of the Hockey Hall of Fame, Roger _ (b.1934 - d.2003)
23. House's li'l bottom
26. Cat's call
28. Outclass _ (Former Oldsmobile model)
29. Not translucent
31. Last but not _
33. Maple serving
34. Father
35. Do this as Spring-time snow
39. La Seigneurie de l'île d' _ (Botanical oasis in Quebec)
42. Painting like the real thing
44. Midday
45. Sport- _ (Versatile vehicle)
47. Leases
48. Pink Lady's date in "Grease" (1978)
50. Smitten: 2 wds.
51. Bing Crosby/Bob Hope comedy, "Road _ _" (1947)
54. 'Cont' complet-er (Italian noblewoman)
56. George Harri-



- son's " _ It a Pity"
57. Eileen of "Private Benjamin" (1980)
59. Fe
61. French for 'goose'
62. Particular party in Springtime, such as at #4-Down: 2 wds.
67. Head mo-

- tion for 'yes'
68. Cavern
69. Prefix to 'metre'
70. Nav. rank
71. "With this ring _ _ wed."
72. 'Delete' the pencil marks

DOWN

1. Disc in a 1990s fad game
2. 'Carot' completer
3. CFL official
4. New Brunswick town which is home to the Maple Capital of Atlantic Canada Festival, this year from April

- 11th to April 16th
5. Vogue competitor
6. Mountain ridge
7. File image type
8. London Fog togs
9. Massachusetts' motto starter
10. Morals
11. En _ (All together)

12. Donald Sutherland's profession
13. Reddish-brown hair rinse
18. Gentle
22. Pinky: 2 wds.
23. Higgs _ 'The God Particle'
24. _ the Dragon (Video game)
25. "That Girl" star Ms. Thomas
27. Antiquated
30. Kick _ fuss
32. Fruity drink
36. Clues
37. Ontario community
38. "Hmmm, I _ aware of that."
40. Rapa _ (Easter Island)
41. Power
43. Quid _ quo
46. Mr. McMahon's
49. Ornamental tree
50. Draped dress
51. Bluegrass musician, _ Burnett
52. The Hunter constellation
53. Props for clarinets
55. "Yes, _ Bob!" (For sure!)
58. Family tree member
60. Erstwhile
63. Queen's "We _ the Champions"
64. "Bird _ Wire" (1990)
65. Military posts, e.g.
66. "Yuck!"

* IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
This is a good day for important discussions about wills, inheritances, shared property and insurance issues. All parties involved will be reasonable and mutually sympathetic.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
You might be able to mend broken fences with a partner or close friend today, because people feel sympathetic toward each other. It's a relatively easygoing day.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Co-workers are supportive today, especially in your efforts to get better organized. You might feel particularly tenderhearted toward a pet today.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
If you are involved in a creative project or the arts, you will be productive today because you are imaginative and open to new ideas. You also will feel sympathetic toward children.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
You will enjoy cocooning at home today, because you feel the need to pamper yourself and take it easy. Family discussions will be gentle and sympathetic.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Your imagination is heightened today, which is good news for those of you who act, teach, write, sell and market. Trust your far-out ideas.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
If shopping today, you will be tempted to spend too much money on luxurious items. It's the age-old problem of having champagne tastes on a beer wallet.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Today the Moon is in your sign dancing with Neptune, which makes you sensitive to the needs of others. It also heightens your imagination.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You will find it easy to put the needs of others before your own today, because you feel somewhat selfless. You genuinely want to help anyone who is less fortunate. (This is admirable.)

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
A discussion with a female friend will be idealistic today. It also will be a bonding experience, because each of you will listen with sympathy toward the other person.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
People see you in a favorable light today, especially bosses, parents and VIPs. They see you as someone who is reasonable, sympathetic and kind.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
Do whatever you can to get away from all this because you need to escape. You need fresh air and a chance to discover adventure! Travel somewhere, if possible.

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